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#### The NSSC Hosts SmartPay 3 Kick-off Meeting with U.S. Bank

On May 9, 2018, the NSSC hosted the SmartPay 3 Kick-off Session (better known as the Post Award Conference) with the U.S. Bank Team. Several key members of the NASA SmartPay 3 Project Team attended while others joined via video teleconference.

SmartPay 3 is the next generation of General Services Administration's charge card program for federal Agencies. NASA's task order for purchase, travel and fleet cards was awarded to U.S. Bank. Although transactions with the new credit cards will not begin until November 30, 2018, there is a great deal of testing and coordination to ensure that card transactions can be accurately received and imported to various



From left to right: Scott Kelly, Kelly Caspers, Teri Knox, Mike Bornhorst (all with U.S. Bank), Suzanne Honeycutt (NSSC), Scott Helms (U.S. Bank) and Bobbie Young (NSSC) Standing: Nicole Delvesco (KSC), Chris Songy (NSSC), and Doreen Medzi (Agency Applications Office)

NASA systems for purchase and travel cards prior to

go-live. Additionally, all card program teams are working to obtain accurate addresses for employees who will need a travel card and/or purchase card to ensure safe delivery of the new cards prior to November 30<sup>th</sup>

U.S. Bank representatives and the NASA team had an all-day meeting to discuss a variety of topics. Agenda items included team structures and roles, overviews of the three card programs, the transition approach and project schedule, technical testing schedules, training and communication strategies, card designs and other essentials.

The NASA and U.S. Bank Team will continue to meet weekly over the next several months to ensure all project tasks are progressing and that deadlines are met timely in order to secure a smooth and seamless transition from JPMorgan to U.S. Bank.

## Ask the NSSC

- Thursday, June 7
- 11:00 am—12:00 pm
- Pre-Retirement Planning for FERS employees

## **NSSC Ice Cream Social**

Tuesday, June 19



- 1111 Lobby
- 1:00 pm

## Summer is right at our doorstep!

We asked a few NSSC employees what their favorite summer activity was. Check out what they said!



Tending to my home vegetable garden and going to the pool - Khanh Kha

Mowing the grass - Bill Graham

Island Vacations with my spouse! - Sheila Arrington

Reading books on the beach in the sun - Jesse Shiyou

Swimming! - Yolander Haynes

Going to baseball games and to the beach - Brian Reid

Riding ATVs - Anita Harrell

BBQs and hanging out - Tammy McIver

Coaching Flag Football - Kevin Poe

Receiving air conditioning - Chris Canary

Long walks on the beach and mowing in my dad shoes - John Cogley

Hurricane season runs from June 1 through November 30. The 2018 hurricane season expects to bear 14 named storms. Out of those storms, it is predicted that seven will be hurricanes, three of them being major hurricanes.

While we hope to make it through the season unscathed, it's important to be prepared in the event that a storm comes our way.

Check out the info below to help ensure you and your family are ready in case of an emergency.

# BE STORM READY

## MAKE A PLAN & MAKE A KIT

MAKE A PLAN: Sit down with your family and decide:

1 How you will contact each other? 2 Where will you go for safety?

(3) What will you do during and after

the severe weather has passed?

RELEASED - Printed documents may be obsolete; validate prior to use.

fema.gov ready.gov MAKE A KIT: Here is a list of the basic supplies you'll need in an emergency

WATER

- F00D
- O RADIO
- CELLPHONE
- FLASHLIGHT
- FIRST AID KIT O DOCUMENTS
- MATCHES
- CASH WHISTLE

